



Rudi E. Scheidt  
School of Music

*Guest Artist Recital*

**AN EVENING OF  
BRAHMS:  
THE COMPLETE SONATAS  
FOR VIOLIN AND PIANO**

Elizabeth Chang, violin  
Jiayan Sun, piano

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MARCH 19 | 7:30 PM

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HARRIS CONCERT HALL

Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music  
Albert Nguyen, Interim Director  
College of Communication and Fine Arts  
Debra Burns, Dean

# PROGRAM

## Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

### **Sonata No. 1 in G Major, Op. 78**

*Vivace, ma non troppo*

*Adagio*

*Allegro molto moderato*

### **Sonata No. 2 in A Major, Op. 100**

*Allegro amabile*

*Andante tranquillo--Vivace*

*Allegretto grazioso, quasi Andante*

Intermission

### **Sonatensatz in C Minor, WoO2 (Scherzo from F-A-E Sonata)**

### **Sonata No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 108**

*Allegro*

*Adagio*

*Un poco presto e con sentimento*

*Presto agitato*

## **BIOGRAPHIES**

### **Elizabeth Chang, violin**

Elizabeth Chang enjoys a dynamic career as performer, teacher, and arts administrator. In addition to her pedagogical work as Professor of Violin at the University of Massachusetts Amherst and faculty member of the Pre-College Division of the Juilliard School, Ms. Chang has embraced leadership roles in the arts community, serving as Artistic Director of Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival, founder and director/co-director of Lighthouse Chamber Players, Five College New Music Festival, and UMass Amherst Bach Festival and Symposium. She has an active chamber music career, collaborating with some of the most prominent artists in the field, and has appeared as soloist, chamber musician and master class teacher in South America, Europe, and Asia. In 2024, Ms. Chang went on recital tours of Brazil, China, and Southeast Asia with pianist Jiayan Sun and released the CD *Sonatas and Myths: Works by Szymanowski, Dohnanyi, and Bartok* with Bridge Records in collaboration with pianist Steven Beck.

### **Jiayan Sun, piano**

Praised by the New York Times for his “revelatory” performances, pianist Jiayan Sun has performed with the Cleveland Orchestra, the Hallé Orchestra, the Chinese and RTÉ (Ireland) National Symphony Orchestras, the Fort Worth and Toledo Symphony Orchestras, the Toronto and Aspen Concert Orchestras, and he has conducted the Meiningen Court Orchestra from the keyboard. As a Steinway Artist and a prize winner in the Leeds, Cleveland, Dublin, and Toronto International Piano Competitions, his performances have been broadcast by the BBC, the RTÉ, China Central Television, and classical music radio stations in North America.

Born in Yantai, China, Mr. Sun received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from The Juilliard School under the tutelage of Yoheved Kaplinsky and Sir Stephen Hough. Currently Assistant Professor of Music and the Associate Chair for Performance Activities at Smith College, he has performed Beethoven's complete piano sonatas, in addition to presenting recital series devoted to the works by Schubert and Chopin.